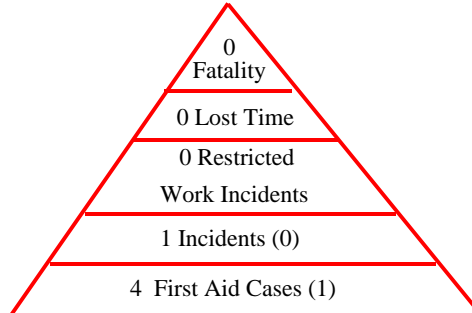


LaRC SAFETY HIGHLIGHTS

December 23, 2002

FY 2003 - Civil Servants



() = Number of new occurrences

OSHA Recordable Cases = Fatalities, Lost Time, Incidents and Restricted Work Incidents.
Incidents = Cases in which more than first aid treatment is required, but less than 8 hours of time is lost.
Restricted Work Incidents = Cases requiring first aid treatment, resulting in light duty restrictions.

Injury/Mishap Information



- The Center has been **202** days **without** a Civil Servant **Lost Time Injury**. (Record 251 Days)
- A SEC employee received a laceration to the left hand while trying to remove a piece of wood from a drill bit. The employee's hand slipped and hit the chuck, which caused the laceration.

Safety Tip – Cold Weather Hazard with Propane-Fueled Vehicles -

Employees need to be aware that as the temperature of the fuel inside a propane tank rises, the liquid fuel expands, which increases pressure inside the tank. In cold weather, this could result in a fire or explosion if a propane-powered vehicle, with more than 80% liquid fuel in the fuel tank, is brought into a heated building from outside. Before bringing a propane-fueled vehicle indoors for service:



- be sure the propane system is leak-free;
- be sure the fuel tank is not filled beyond the maximum recommended filling capacity; and
- be sure the fuel lines are free of fuel when the vehicle is indoors for repairs or servicing.

After repair or service work has been completed, recharge the fuel line.



Weekly Video Schedule - December 23-27, 2002 - Holiday Safety; A Welcome Interruption - GFCI; Stairways & Ladders; and Housekeeping. (Contact Chip Quinn, 48743)